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H.B. No. 3507

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

AN ACT

1
2 relating to educational information regarding co-parenting on
3 dissolution of a marriage.

4 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF TEXAS:

5 SECTION 1. Section 6.406, Family Code, is amended by adding
6 Subsection (c) to read as follows:

7 (c) If the suit for dissolution of a marriage includes a
8 suit affecting the parent-child relationship under Subsection (b),
9 the court shall provide the parties with a written notice that
10 includes the following statement:

11 "It is the policy of the State of Texas that the best
12 interests of the child shall always be the primary consideration of
13 courts when determining issues of conservatorship and possession of
14 and access to children in family law matters. Issues involving
15 children of parents who are divorced or separated can often be very
16 challenging for everyone involved. Parents are encouraged to seek
17 out and utilize available resources and support organizations in
18 their communities that can assist them in facilitating successful
19 co-parenting of their children."

20 SECTION 2. The change in law made by this Act applies only
21 to a suit for dissolution of a marriage filed on or after the
22 effective date of this Act.

23 SECTION 3. This Act takes effect September 1, 2017.